

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 7-15 and 18-21, without prejudice, as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device,  
comprising:

a liquid crystal panel;

a light guiding plate for illuminating the liquid crystal panel;

a frame on which the liquid crystal panel is mounted;

a bezel including an upper wall which covers a periphery of the liquid crystal panel and has an opening through which a display portion of the liquid crystal panel is exposed to the outside, and a side wall bent from the upper wall and covering a side wall of the frame;

a screw connecting the side wall of the bezel to the frame; and

a rear cover for housing the light guiding plate from a bottom side of the light guiding plate,

the rear cover having an extended portion which extends from a back side of the light guiding plate beyond a position of the screw, wherein the extended portion has a hole through which said screw passes, and wherein the extended portion is formed between the side wall of the frame and the side wall of the bezel.

2. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame has a threaded hole in which the screw is engaged.

3. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame surrounds the light guiding plate.

4. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame has a positioning means for positioning the liquid crystal panel.

5. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein said portion of the rear cover extends to a front surface of the bezel and the bezel has a hole in which said portion of the rear cover can be fitted.

6. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein a control circuit board connected to the liquid crystal panel is arranged between the side wall of the bezel and the frame.

7-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the bezel, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another at least at a periphery of portions connected together by the screw.

17. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 6, wherein the bezel, the control circuit board, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another in this order at least at a periphery of portions connected together by the screw.

18-21. (Cancelled)